

# Ten Professors Miss First Classes

by Mark Toor  
Managing Editor

Twelve faculty members from the GW political science department attended the American Political Science Association (APSA) convention in San Francisco last week, most of them to deliver scholarly papers, causing the 10 of them on active duty this year to miss the first week of classes.

According to Bernard Reich, acting chairman of the department, the active duty professors delivering papers were department chairman Hugh L. Leblanc, Stephen J. Wayne, James F.C. Hyde, Richard L. Cole, Benjamin Nimer, Stephen W. Burks, John M. Logsdon and Andrew Gyorgy. Two other professors from the department who are presently on leave also delivered papers, Reich said.

John M. Starrels also attended the convention, but not to deliver a paper, said Reich. A spokesman for the School of Public and International Affairs said George Stam-

buk also attended the convention and did not deliver a paper. Starrels and Stambuk are both on active duty this year.

Most of the professors followed standard procedure, according to Reich, notifying the department chairman of the invitations to deliver papers. Leblanc then passed the requests on to the Columbian College Dean Calvin Linton, who determined how much financial support the University would provide.

Harold F. Bright, vice president for academic affairs, said professors

"don't have to have permission from anybody" to attend academic conventions, and dealt with Linton only for travel money. "It's part of their regular routine to attend" such conventions, he said.

Reich explained that Leblanc had directed teaching assistants to meet the first class of each professor at the convention and hand out syllabi and assignments so the absent professors can "get directly into substantive teaching next Monday." He said since "in most courses the first day tends to be administrative detail," the most that would be

missed is one lecture in the Tuesday and Thursday courses.

Professors were not instructed to arrange for substitute lecturers, said Reich, but in at least 10 courses lectures were given. He said he knew for sure that Burks, Gyorgy, Cole and Wayne had arranged for substitute lecturers, and it was possible others had as well.

Logsdon had a teaching assistant distribute a letter of apology along with a syllabus to students in his classes, and scheduled an extra class meeting at the end of the semester.

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Bernard Reich  
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## Faculty Told Of Possible Cut In Admissions Criteria

by Herman Goodyear  
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"If you can read, can you pay?" Or should the new applications for upcoming freshmen read, "Can you pay? Can you read this?" two unidentified GW professors jokingly remarked as they left the September third faculty Assembly meeting in Lisner Auditorium.

These quips were prompted by Dr. Harold F. Bright's address to approximately two-thirds of the GW faculty. Bright, vice-president for academic affairs and provost, said if freshman enrollment remains in a decline, acceptance criteria for admission to GW may have to be lowered.

"GW is much better off than many [universities]. . . in spite of this, it is a period in which the University much proceed with great caution," said Bright.

Part of the problem is the virtual lack of federal aid to the Medical School because of a cut in Congressional appropriations. Freshman enrollment has also declined and it is when the University is faced with a problem of this sort that a loosening of admissions policies is made necessary, according to Bright.

However, he sees an alternative in "Continuing Education." If enrollment in GW's Continuing Education programs increase, it could make up for the decline in freshman enrollment, Bright pointed out.

"The educational scene has highly changed in the last five years, changes of such magnitude that could not have possibly been foreseen," Bright explained. So it is almost impossible to tell what the future will hold for GW, he continued. But, if things do take a turn for the worse, will it matter, as the professors joked, if the entering student can't read if he has the cash?

The elimination and redefining of courses was another topic Bright discussed. As of this date, GW has had no staff cuts, and if inter-departmental changes take place, no faculty members should be eliminated.

GW, according to Bright's statistics, had not lost much money this fiscal year. Expenses have risen, with only 1,000 full-time students enrolled in Columbian College, but graduate school enrollment has increased.

The Assembly meeting began with short opening remarks and a quiet hall. All new faculty members were introduced by representatives from each respective school except the National Law Center.



University President Lloyd H. Elliott introduces speakers at Wednesday's Faculty Assembly meeting. (photo by Micah Green)

## GW Trustees Possibly Operating Illegally

by Douglas Chandler  
Hatchet Staff Writer

The GW Board of Trustees may be operating in technical violation of its charter and by-laws, which stipulate that "a majority" of trustees must "be residents of the District of Columbia." Out of 43 trustees, only 19 reside in the District; 24 live outside its boundaries.

According to GW Corporation Law Prof. Harold P. Green, a person or organization adversely affected by any recent Board decision could challenge the decision's validity on those grounds.

GW Medical School students, for instance, could challenge the validity of their tuition hike, claiming the Board was illegally constituted when it okayed the action. Green, however, said he doesn't know "how a court would act."

President Lloyd H. Elliott acknowledged that the Board's majority lives outside actual District lines, but feels a court would interpret "the District of Columbia" as meaning "the greater Washington area."

"I think an assumption has been made over the years that the greater Washington area constituted the spirit of the charter if not the

letter," Elliott stated. He said that "in electing trustees, the Board has been careful in selecting people with local residences." However, in response to *Hatchet* inquiries, Elliott has asked University counsel to investigate the legal implications of the matter.

If a Board action "were challenged," continued Elliott, "it would require a court decision to modify or interpret the charter."

What a court would do is in question, however. Persons in the National Law Center expressed doubt that a court would retroactively declare a past Board decision invalid.

A court might simply call upon the Board to comply with its charter in the future, or it might interpret the District of Columbia as the entire metropolitan area.

If a court took the latter route, the Board would then be in compliance with its charter. Thirty trustees live within the greater Washington metropolitan area—the District, and suburban Virginia and Maryland—and 13 live in other states.

The original 1821 charter incorporating George Washington University, then called Columbian College, contained no stipulation

on where trustees should reside. In 1898, though, Congress revised the University's charter, stipulating that "a majority" of trustees "shall be residents of the District of Columbia." The charter can only be revised again through Congressional action.

The Board's by-laws, which also contain the residency requirement, can be amended by the Trustees themselves.

When the charter was revised in 1898, very few people lived outside District lines, according to Board Executive Secretary Gertrude Weitzel. It was not until much later that the Maryland and Virginia suburbs began growing. Many of those living within the District moved into its nearby suburbs. This, according to Weitzel, might offer the basis for interpreting "the District of Columbia" as meaning the greater Washington area.

Earlier, Vice-President for Academic Affairs Harold F. Bright, acting as Elliott's spokesman, said "It's a trivial question."

For the trustees' part, the majority don't have any knowledge of the situation. And Board Chairman Charles E. Phillips, contacted by the *Hatchet*, said he was unaware that any such problem existed.

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# Faculty Elects Search Unit To Find New Medical VP

by Jonathan Landay  
Asst. News Editor

A special 11-man search committee of GW Medical School faculty will shortly begin work to select three candidates for the position of vice president for medical affairs vacated by Dr. James Feffer last May.

The search committee is composed of full-time Medical School faculty members who were elected by the Medical School special assembly in a mail ballot.

Dr. Vincent Iovine, clinical professor of surgery and temporary chairman of the committee, said candidates will be considered on a nation-wide basis and will not be drawn solely from GW faculty.

"Finding a person to fill the position is difficult to do," said Iovine. "We will consider anyone who is interested [in the job]."

Iovine said names of possible candidates will be obtained through different academic and medical organizations, such as the Association of American Medical Colleges.

Iovine described the selection process as "a lot of hard work," which consists of interviews with candidates, inspection of the GW's medical facilities by candidates and a final selection by the Board of Trustees from the three names put forward by the committee.

No date has been set for the final selection of a candidate to fill the position, but Iovine said, "I would-

n't be surprised if it [a final decision] wasn't due for six months to a year."

Feffer, the last full-time head of the Medical Center, was not reappointed as vice president for medical affairs last May by the Board of Trustees following a three-year conflict between him and segments of the medical faculty, culminating in a no-confidence vote against him. The position has been filled temporarily by Dr. Ronald Kaufman, dean for clinical affairs and medical director of the GW Hospital.

The duties of vice president for medical affairs entail both academic and non-academic functions. A person holding the position would be a member of the University president's immediate staff and an officer of the GW corporation.

The job would also include advising the president and Board of Trustees of all matters pertaining to the Medical Center; the planning, organizing and directing of all programs of the Medical Center; and the smooth running of the Medical School, the GW Hospital and the ambulatory care division.

## Campus Wrap-Up

### Parking Regulations

The University is again operating a shuttle express to and from the Kennedy Center Parking garage. Parking at the Kennedy Center is from 6 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The shuttle will be operated from 6:30 a.m. and the last shuttle will leave the University garage at 7:15 p.m.

Student and staff parking decals and parking tickets are required for parking at the Kennedy Center garage. All GW parkers must vacate the garage by 7:30.

All available permanent on-campus parking space has been exhausted, so any remaining on-campus parking assignments will be made only to full-time University employees (excluding faculty) who replace employees who vacate their space.

### Joint Committee

The Joint Committee of Faculty and Students decided at its Friday meeting to study and review the guidelines under which the committee gives stipends to students involved in leadership positions of extracurricular activities.

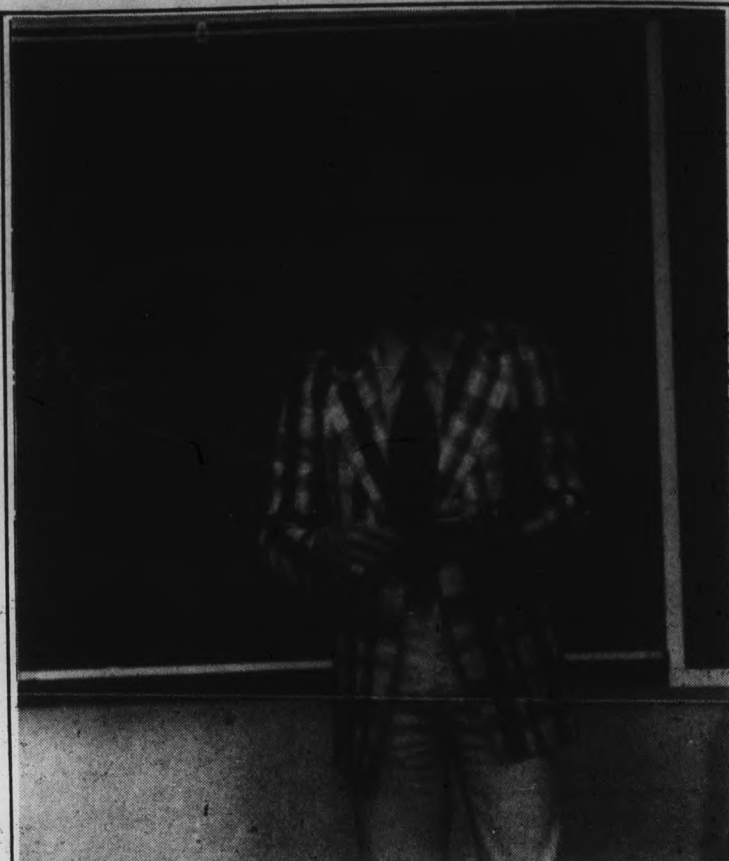
The committee voted to give Alan Cohn, chairman of the Program Board a stipend, which entitles him to half tuition benefits for the academic year.

Hatchet Editor-in-Chief Mark Lacter and Cherry Tree Editor T. James Ranney were also awarded stipends by the committee at the close of last spring semester.

At Friday's meeting, the committee also decided to review procedures by which student organizations become recognized by the University, and whether the University should participate in *Who's Who In American Universities*.

## Correction

An article on GW fraternities and sororities in the Sept. 4 issue of the *Hatchet* implied that a pledge who died in an initiation in New Jersey was a member of a chapter affiliated with Delta Gamma sorority. The chapter was a local fraternity unaffiliated with any Greek group at GW.



Lead Singer of the Beachboys Mike Love discusses the virtues of Transcendental Meditation during two sessions in the Center last week. Marc Lerner, a lecturer for the International Students' Society (ISS), also addressed the approximately 75 students who attended both meetings. The Transcendental Meditation program of Maharishi Mahesh Yogi is available on campus through the ISS. (photo by Rick Palmer)

## New Macke Meal Tickets Are A Lot Of Trouble, Say Students

Aside from the new meal ticket system put into effect this year, Macke has incorporated few changes in the food service system, and has "no major changes" planned at the moment, according to Don Hawthorne, director of GW Macke operations.

The new star in the Macke line-up is the totally revamped meal ticket. The familiar green or yellow plastic punch-out cards used in the past have been replaced with a cardboard ticket book in a vinyl case. Individual tickets are ripped out of the book for each meal.

Macke made the switch because the Vali-Dine machine used to

validate cards was continually breaking down, forcing cafeteria personnel to punch the cards manually.

Many students said they found the new ticket book bulkier than the old meal card which could easily be tucked away into a wallet or purse.

Also, in addition to the tickets, students on the meal plan must carry their student ID cards in the vinyl case. Because of this, students will have to pay to replace both if the meal card case is lost. The replacement cost for the tickets and the card is \$5 each, so any student losing the case would have to pay \$10 to have both replaced.

"I resent having to carry around this ticket book when the simplest solution is to have a picture card, which is used at many other schools," said sophomore Chuck Hadley.

Hawthorne said he does not think "the student outcry will be that strong." He also pointed out that while there may have been 50 lost meal cards by this time last year, only two of the new ticket book have been reported lost so far.

Hawthorne also said he will open up the lines of communication between students and the food company. "Last year was last year, and this year is this year," he said, and more time will be devoted to listening to student complaints. However, he said he would prefer suggestions dealing with policy changes be made through the Joint Food Service Board, instead of directly through him.

Complaints about food service should be immediately directed to the dining hall managers, Hawthorne advised, and they will be rectified. He also urged that students give the managers greater input on the quality of the food service.

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# Few Students Make Use Of Anti-Discrimination Law

by Jackie Jones  
Asst. News Editor

Discrimination against students is illegal under Title 34 of the Human Rights Act, but according to Bob Chlopak of GW Public Interest Research Group (PIRG), it happens all the time.

Title 34, passed in November 1973, prohibits discrimination in areas ranging from employment to housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, marital status and enrollment in school.

Thousands of complaints have been filed in the year and a half since the law was enacted, said James E. Jackson of the D.C. Office of Human Rights (OHR), the agency charged with enforcing the law. The majority of the complaints are filed by D.C. government employees against their employers, Jackson said.

However, Chlopak is convinced that when more students become aware of the law and their rights under it, more discrimination reports will be filed by students. Only 25 to 30 complaints have been registered through PIRG, and Chlopak feels that number is "under-representative of the number of students who have problems or need advice."

A major area of discrimination against students is in the check cashing policies of some local merchants. The law classifies commercial businesses as "public accommodations" which are not allowed to "deny, directly or indirectly, any person the full and equal employment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages and accommodations of any places of public accommodation."

Last March, GW students Walter

S. Tabler and Jordan Ryan, filed petitions against Gillie's Twenty-One Liquors on 21st and Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.

Tabler stated that he attempted to cash a check at Gillie's Liquors in early February, but when he presented his GW ID card as identification, the clerk refused to accept it. According to Tabler, the clerk told him the store had a policy of not accepting checks from students.

At the time he filed the complaint, Tabler said it would be some time before he would get any action from OHR, because of the procedure they employ in following up complaints.

Normally once a complaint is filed copies are sent out to all parties involved, and after OHR makes some investigation the parties are encouraged to settle their grievances outside the agency. If that fails, OHR must determine that discrimination has actually occurred before any further action can be taken, and sometimes this takes months.

Ryan said that in the beginning of the summer, an OHR representative called and informed him that the office would attempt to bring the

matter to arbitration. Ryan said he has not heard anything since, and he assumes the "same thing happened to Tabler." Tabler could not be reached for comment.

Mrs. Gilbert Shapiro, wife of the owner of Gillie's, said that a few weeks ago an OHR representative came to the store and discussed the issue, but nothing was resolved. She denied that either Ryan or Tabler had been discriminated against.

However, Mrs. Shapiro did say that student ID's were invalid for check cashing purposes because they do not list a local address. "I have had too many checks come back to me and when I contact the University they say they have no jurisdiction over the students," she said. A spokesman from the GW Registrar's Office confirmed this.

According to the law, anyone may file a discrimination complaint with OHR within one year of the "occurrence or discovery of the unlawful discrimination practice." OHR will assist the complainant in drawing up the proper form and forwarding it to related government agencies which might be brought into the investigation.



Karen Keesling, director of the Women's Programs at the White House, told about 80 students she felt the Ford Administration is becoming more responsive to women's demands, during last Thursday's "Women of Washington" program sponsored by the Panhellenic Council. Other speakers were Rep. Millicent Fenwick (R-NJ), Mary Louise Robbins, a GW professor of microbiology, and Henry Kissinger's press aide Margy Vanderhigh. (photo by Roni Sussman)

## Board Plans Events

The Program Board approved plans for social and political activities at its first meeting last Wednesday. These include a Kundalini Yoga Course, a Bluegrass Weekend, a lecture by former Republican Senator Charles Goodell and an Indian vegetarian cooking course.

The Kundalini Yoga Course will begin on Sept. 11. It will be held on Mondays and Thursdays, from 7:15 - 8:30 p.m., in rooms 402-406 of the Center.

A watermelon bash, square dance and a performance by the Rosslyn Mountain Boys in the Rathskeller

are planned for the Bluegrass Weekend Sept. 26 -27.

On October 14, from 8 to 11 p.m., Goodell will lecture in rooms 402-406 of the Center. This program is co-sponsored by the GW Young Republicans.

Details concerning the place and time of the Indian vegetarian cooking course will be announced at a later date; according to a Program Board spokesman.

The Board also still has positions open for chairman of the Performing Arts and Art Gallery committees. They will be accepting petitions until Wednesday.

## Ten Profs Miss Class Last Week

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according to his assistant, Barbara Claasen.

Administrators and professors questioned all felt that scholarship and attendance at academic conventions was a professional duty just as important as teaching, and when an opportunity to deliver a paper comes in conflict with a class, which takes precedence is, in Bright's words, "something that the faculty member has to decide himself."

"The students have elected to come to a University which has a reputation in political science which has enabled a large chunk of the faculty to present papers to a large political science organization," said Reich. "When you do that kind of thing you lose something, sometimes a class, but you do gain in scholarship and reputation."

Those interviewed explained that what differentiates a university from a small college is the research and publication required of university faculty members and agreed, as Reich put it, that the "student in the long run will benefit."

The Department of Political Science Code lists "scholarly inquiry and presentation of results of that inquiry in the form of scheduled contributions at professional meetings" as an important criterion for reappointment, promotion or tenure, and declares that "teaching effectiveness and active commitment to scholarship are the principal attributes to be sought in a

full-time member of the Department."

Linton said "students can be proud they are in a department with such eminence," adding that this was the first time he had heard of so many papers being delivered by faculty from a single department.

Both Assistant Registrar Jean Schlager and Reich reported no student complaints about their

professors' absence, and most students interviewed seemed either indifferent or only mildly distressed.

Queried on the possibility of student discontent, Linton answered, "If students are really that frustrated in their desire to work, I'm sure they'll have the opportunity for extra work during the semester... I hope they're all in the library doing 10 times the assigned reading, God bless them."

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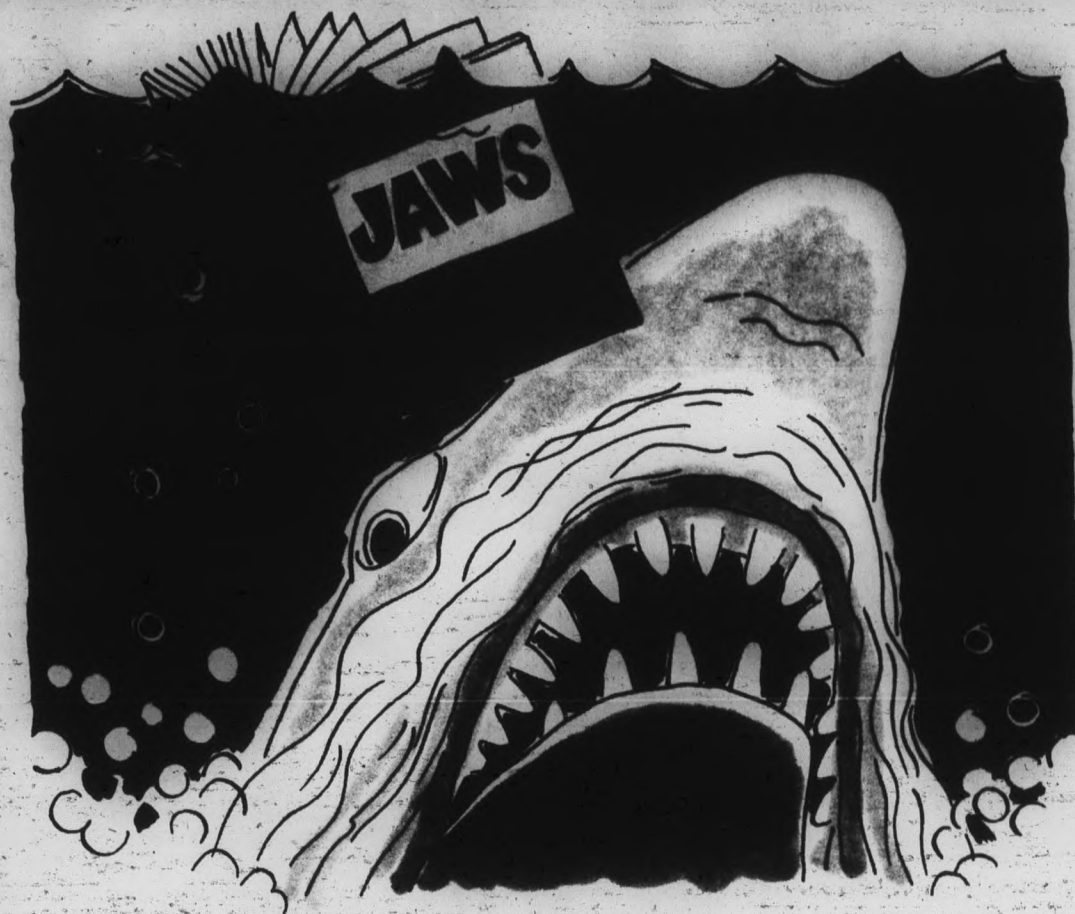
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The next Program Board meeting will be Mon., Sept. 8th at 7 P.M. in Room 429, Center.

The East Asian Society is holding a general meeting Wed. Sept. 10 from 1 to 2 pm in Room 413 in the Marvin Center. All are welcome.

Alpha Kappa Psi is raffling off 2 season tickets to Redskin games and awarding three clock radios as second prizes. Tickets cost \$1 and will be on sale 9/4 through 9/17 on the ground floor of Marvin Center or call Joel 296-5586. Drawing will be on 9/17.

Petitioning for the Program Board positions of Art Gallery Chairman and Performing Arts Chairman have been extended until Sept. 10th. Pick up petitions in Rm. 427, Center.

Cheerleader tryouts will be held Sept. 8-17 from 4-6 PM in the Men's Gym. Tryouts will be open to all M & F, Full-time students.

For those who love to move—the G.W. Folkdance Club announces that folkdancing will continue as usual every Tuesday 8-11 PM. Marvin Center Ballroom. No experience necessary.

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# Editorials

## Hunters and Assassins

We live in a sick society. One only need look at the latest batch of crime statistics to realize just how violent the American lifestyle has become. And Friday's near-successful assassination attempt on President Ford once again raises the question among many legislators and columnists of the need for effective gun control. However, reality must be faced---the opposition to any sort of limit on handguns and rifles is just too great, at least at the moment.

The point was reflected in graphic terms on a CBS News documentary, "The Guns of Autumn," aired Friday. The 90-minute special explored the pastime of hunting, a multi-million dollar industry and perhaps one of the most revolting of human activities. White, middle class, upstanding citizens were shown with powerful rifles in their hands and gleaming satisfaction on their faces as a nearly tame bear clung to a tree, waiting helplessly for the final act. The hunters waited a few minutes just to add to the "drama." Then the "brave hunters" killed the "mean bear," an animal who didn't deserve such a ritualistic slaughter.

Such horrible scenes were repeated throughout the rest of the program, in private preserves and government-controlled public lands alike. When asked why they hunt, the "sportsmen" responded in terms of "It's getting close to nature," and "If Davy Crockett did it, why can't we?" and "It's pure entertainment." One man proudly announced that his three-year-old son was learning to hunt and that his other son "killed his first bear at 14."

There is no rational reason for hunting. Unlike the early frontiersmen, we don't need to shoot deer, buffalo and the like for food. In 1975, hunting is a cold, ruthless, wholesale slaughter. The people who engage in this activity are no less sick than the political assassins and the street muggers; the stakes are only lower.

It is this proliferation of hunters, estimated at about 20 million, and the attitude that killing animals is a wholesome, family activity which accounts, in large measure, for the absence of gun laws. It also accounts for the thousands and thousands of handguns manufactured and sold in this country every year.

The National Rifle Association (NRA) and similar, powerful lobbies will not allow any substantive restriction of firearms. Without the realization by the hunters who support NRA that any kind of senseless killing is immoral, the Oswalds and the Sirhans and the Frommes will continue to plague the nation with tragedy.

The battle is a tough one. NRA proved its clout when more than a half dozen advertisers withdrew their commercials at the last moment from the CBS special. Pressure from NRA and a variety of gun and hunting groups apparently intimidated the sponsors. If this kind of pressure continues, not only will no gun control legislation be passed, not only will more bears be slaughtered, but more political leaders will be the mark of assassin's bullets. The ending may not be as fortunate as Friday's.

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## Views on Pot and Privacy

The mystery surrounding the "green weed," "pot" or "grass" is beginning to vanish. More conclusive evidence as to marijuana's harmful effects are dispelling many middle-class Americans' fears that a joint will blow Junior's mind to Mars.

And, as the youth generation of the sixties approaches the age of thirty, marijuana use is no longer limited to the hippies and freaks who tried to tear this nation apart a decade ago. Genuinely concerned Americans are now able to get a better perspective on the deleterious effects of this minor drug, as well as on the wisdom of government regulation of private behavior.

Although all of the medical evidence is not in, and probably never will be, parents now rest assured that sons' and daughters' plans to get high aren't the end of the world. Unless you are a follower of Senator James Eastland's (D-Miss.) subcommittee investigation into *cannibus sativa*, you probably won't be convinced by those alarmists who attribute everything from sexual impotence to the high crime rate to marijuana use.

Since many Americans have been able to limit their drug use to marijuana, the argument that marijuana will inevitably lead to the use of harder drugs does not hold water. And the alarmingly high rate of alcoholism, particularly among teenagers and college students, has demonstrated the dangers of any stimulants or depressants.

The medical evidence should not be the issue with marijuana. Rather, the fundamental question surrounding the debate is whether or not society is negatively affected by the drug to the point where it should regulate private behavior.

Since the link between crime and drug use limits itself to hard drugs, society does not suffer ill effects from marijuana use among its people. And since marijuana use is so widespread now that a legitimate analogy can be made between prohibition of alcohol and the illegality of marijuana, its legalization would hardly encourage ordinarily straight-laced high school students to turn into frequent drug users any more than peer pressure, daddy's liquor cabinet and the tobacco industry's ads presently do.

When all of the myths are dispelled, we still find ourselves opposing the argument that marijuana harms the smoker in many ways. This is undeniably true (but, as mentioned earlier, the effects are no more harmful than those accrued to many legal drugs), but so what?

The government should not impose the private morality of a majority of citizens upon a minority. Even

if one would automatically become a manic depressant because of marijuana use, it is not the business of government to involve itself in the private lives of its people.

I grant that if marijuana smoking would render a significant portion of the American populace incapable of functioning to the extent that factories and schools would have to be closed, then the state should take steps to protect the general well-being of the majority. But this is not the case with marijuana.

Government has grown too large. It is encroaching upon our civil liberties, robbing us of our income and property and mixing us together in artificial proportions created by a Federal bureaucrat. This should no longer be tolerated. We must reinstitute the spirit of individual liberty into the fiber of American society.

Let those who fought for liberty in World War II, Korea and Vietnam ponder the dilemma of how America can stand up for freedom all across the globe and yet infringe upon the rights of its citizens to regulate their private morality?

Let it be clear, though, that this writer abhors marijuana smoking. Just as it is stupid to blacken one's lungs with cigarettes or get drunk on alcohol, it is foolish to get high on pot. And so, to the tobacco executive, alcoholic politician and classmate down the hall: you are dumb sometimes. But, better that you be dumb and free than wise and a slave.



Mark Potts

## Future Follies For GW

Now that registration for the fall semester is finally over and we have all laid to rest our curiosity about the mysterious Professor Staff who teaches several courses in each department, word comes that the powers that be at GW are already hard at work on next year's catalogue of courses.

*Hatchet* sources in the administration have spirited away a list of several new course proposals, and we present them here as a public service so that you can begin now to plan for next year. There's still plenty of time to transfer.

### GEOGRAPHY 123: Interpretative Cartography

A study of methods to decipher seemingly meaningless maps. For the final, students will be deposited in downtown D.C. with a Metrobus map and must find their way back to campus.

### ACCOUNTING 167: Creative Political Accounting

Setting up slush funds, laundering money, and getting around the campaign financing laws. Instructor will be a former official of the Committee To Re-Elect the President.

### AMERICAN CIVILIZATION 101: Principles of Euphemisms

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# Letters to the Editor

## GW Sorority Denies Cruel Initiation Practices

I wish to correct an unfortunate error in the *Hatchet's* September 4 story on fraternities and sororities. The error concerns initiations, but the issue it raises is right at the heart of the Greek system. Of course Delta Gamma sorority does not bury its pledges alive (good for population control but not for sorority membership rolls), and the fact that such a statement would appear in a college newspaper bespeaks a total ignorance of what Greek life at GW is all about.

Its purpose, simply stated, is to help each member explore their own potential and get the most out of college life. We are Impact Sponsors, we are the dominant student group at George Washington, we party, we invite the GW community to our fall parties, we put on programs like Women of Washington, and seminars on self-defense for women; our members are Phi Beta Kappas, on the constitutional convention, the debate team, the basketball team, and on and on.

And we do all of this in a spirit of brotherhood and sisterhood which bespeaks our conviction that a group is more than a collection of individuals but a rewarding blend of interests and talents that enriches, supports, renews, and strengthens each of us. Now be reasonable; do we sound like people who would go around burying our best friends?

Susan M. Kuhn  
President, Delta Gamma Sorority

## Convention Delegate Criticizes Paper's Position

Once again, taking on its self-proclaimed leadership role, the *Hatchet* has now pronounced the constitutional convention dead.

Very well. While, as a delegate, I do not happen to agree, there are certainly grounds for such an opinion. God knows, we have brought it on ourselves.

I am pleased that at least the *Hatchet* does not share the widely held opinion that since the faculty and administration take good enough care of us, why bother to try to participate in decisions that affect you? It's much easier to sit around in your spare time getting drunk or stoned.

Instead, the *Hatchet* sees the need for greater student participation in University affairs, and hopes that in the near future student attitudes will change sufficiently to permit this to happen.

Fine. How, I may ask, does the *Hatchet* expect this miracle to come about? Where does the *Hatchet* expect leadership to come from, if not from the much-maligned "student leaders?" If the editors expect a spontaneous mass student movement to spring up from the ground overnight, I would advise that they not hold their breath waiting.

In sum, the *Hatchet* has a right to its opinion in pronouncing the constitutional convention "dead."

Personally, however, I would feel much better if, having abandoned the convention and student government, the *Hatchet* would take its vaunted leadership role a little

further and come up with a proposal for a viable, practical, workable alternative.

Steven J. Berke  
Constitutional Convention Delegate

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# New IM Director Hopes to Cut 'Super-Competitiveness'

by Mark Potts  
Hatchet Staff Writer

There is a dynamo lurking in Building S, home of the GW Intramural Department, a dynamo whose goal is to dramatically restyle GW intramural athletics.

The name of this dynamo is Rich Zygablo, newly appointed director of intramural activities. He set out his ideas for revolutionizing his department in a *Hatchet* interview last week.

"I want to lessen the super-competitiveness in intramurals here and put much more emphasis on the recreative values in the program," he said. "My concept is for a program that can help a participant develop interest in sports throughout his life."

Zygablo doesn't entirely play down intramural sports on a competitive level, but says the competitive aspect is "only a small fraction" of the way he sees intramural sports.

The 25-year-old Zygablo was hired late this summer to replace Bernie Swain, who moved up to the post of assistant athletic director. Zygablo is well-suited for his new job; he holds a Masters degree in intramural administration from Michigan State, where he spent the last three years as a graduate teaching assistant.

He described the intramural situation at Michigan State as being quite different from that here at GW. "For one thing, there were far

more different kinds of activities there, and their facilities were tremendous," said Zygablo.

But now here at GW, with the new Smith Center, we should be able to start attempting to match that amount of activities," he continued. "With the Smith Center, we now have the facilities for



Rich Zygablo  
"door is always open"

squash, handball, racquetball and many, many other activities."

That last statement fits in well in Zygablo's outlook on how intramural sports should be more individualized, with the emphasis more on fun and exercise than on winning. He said that one of the ways the intramural department at Michigan State was able to de-emphasize the competitive aspect to a degree was to split teams in each sport into two leagues—one for players with a competitive bent, and

the other for those who just wanted the chance to play the game.

"It was a tremendous success," said Zygablo. "By the end of the second year, almost half the teams decided to move over into the less competitive league."

He said he'd like to try that here at GW, but wants to wait a bit before making any sort of major move so he can test student reaction to this idea, as well as to his plans to add the several new sports programs. Those programs which are added will be put on the schedule for the second semester.

His ultimate goal, though, is to get everyone in the GW community participating—and able to participate whenever they want.

"Anytime anybody wants to play anything, he or she should be able to play it," he said. He admitted that this would be quite an order to fill, but indicated a strong willingness to try and make it work. He would like to see full use made of all D.C. facilities, not just those here on campus.

He stressed that his door is always open and that he welcomes and invites comments, criticism and suggestions from all members of the GW community. He sees his office as a sort of "resource center" which can be used by all those interested in athletics on a personal level. He plans to sponsor a string of instructional clinics, particularly in sports, such as squash, which are not widely known.

In the meantime, though, this dynamo known as Rich Zygablo is getting together the fall intramural schedule (see Sports Shorts) and making his plans for the future of GW intramurals. With a man like Rich leading the way, the future seems very, very bright.



Volleyball players "don't just hack around" during Co-ed Recreation activities. Volleyball is played on Fridays (photo by Jeff Kahn)

## Co-Ed Activities Begin

Students not inclined to pursue a varsity sport but who desire some form of physical activity can now look into the Co-Ed Recreation program offered by the department of human kinetics and leisure studies here at GW. At present, four activities—golf, horseback riding, tennis, and volleyball—are available Fridays, while folk dance and badminton are offered Tuesdays and Wednesdays, respectively.

All activities are now under way, and Co-Ed Recreation director Calva "Keppie" Collier, also assistant women's athletic director, said she expects a large turnout this year.

Both males and females can participate in all activities.

Most students who participate in the program said they enjoy the activities and the manner in which they are presented by the department. One student, who had participated in the program in past years, said the Friday activities were more enjoyable for him because of the afternoon time slot, and that the program was a "good way to get some exercise." He said the "unpressured atmosphere" was a plus as well.

Other students are more serious about the activities offered. One volleyball buff asserted the seriousness of those who participate, claiming, "we don't just hack around." As for the actual level of competition, he said, "it depends on who shows up," but that sometimes "things get pretty competitive."

Newcomers to the program expressed enthusiasm, and one student, sophomore Mary Kay Delaney, said, "I haven't gone down yet but I plan to in the near future. It looks pretty interesting."

For further information on the Co-Ed Recreation program, call Mrs. Collier at 676-6280 or 82.

## Buff Nine Optimistic, Praise Coach Toomey

New coach Mike Toomey did not have to look far to find recruits for his GW baseball team. This year's squad will include four local ballplayers.

The new players include transfers Al Owens and Avram Tucker from Montgomery Junior College; Jim Goss, a freshman out of Potomac, Maryland; and Mike Hawell, who's from Occidental, Maryland.

The Colonials also acquired Fritz Hohl, a center fielder from Greenwich, Connecticut.

Most of the players, including the new recruits, are optimistic about the coming season and impressed with coach Toomey, a 23-year-old ex-GW star who graduated in 1974.

Jim Goss, a infielder who came to GW because "they offered the only scholarship," was impressed by the team's offense, saying, "There is no way in hell we are going to be held hitless." As for coach Toomey, Goss felt "he is definitely a bonus, a good part of the team."

Freshman Fritz Hohl is another who respects the young coach, saying that Toomey is "really interested and he knows what he's talking about."

Seniors Kevin Bass and Mike Thaxton, who played with Toomey in the past, have nothing but praise for their old teammate. "I've known 'Tooms' for a long time," says Bass. "He is a good guy."

The seniors also feel that the team looks improved, saying that there is more depth, especially in the pitching department. Last year, the Buff were hard pressed to find a healthy pitcher, especially in the spring.

Coach Toomey, who took the position at GW with "the hope of making a name for myself," is predicting stronger pitching and defense this season, which on the basis of last spring's performance is a fairly safe prediction.

Toomey is pleased that 30 players came out for the team. "Last season we only had 14 or 15," he said. He's also impressed by the way his players are hustling. "I believe in keeping things moving."

## Sports Shorts

Intramural football managers will meet today and tomorrow at 7 p.m., in Building S (2025 H St.), room 11. Team rosters are due Monday, September 15. All interested in officiating can meet Wednesday, Sept. 10, at Building S, room 11.

GW cheerleader tryouts begin today, and will run until September 17. Tryouts will be held in the men's gym, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. All full-time undergrads who are inter-

ested, male and female, are urged to try out.

Students interested in playing badminton should attend an organizational meeting Wednesday, Sept. 10 at 6 p.m. at the Woman's Gym, 817 23rd St.

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